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Request for Field Project Approval (CAPEDAL)

(1) CAPEDAL-1 (formerly CASTONE-4), a career Austro-German police and intelligence official before his capture by the Americans in 1945, now 60 years of age, has been a support agent for Munich Base since 1952. Until 1958 he was in part used in surveillance work, operating with a former team which was discontinued early in 1960. His forte has however always been the performance of checks and the running of traces as a singleton agent. For this purpose he has established himself in an especially favorable position, ingratiating himself with members of German officials. In Munich he regularly exploits the resources of the Fremdenmeldeamt, Fahndungsabteilung, Auslaendert, Arbeitsamt, Gouvernement, Hausbanken, Kreishauptmann, and others. He also does neighborhood checks as required. As useful informants he has developed, in addition to an employee of an airline, two sub-sources who have been processed for Operational Approval and assigned cryptonyms; they are listed below as [] and []. The continued use of CAPEDAL-1 is naturally subject to disadvantages. He still sees old cronies in his professional field; his cover employment by the Provost Marshal has in the course of time inevitably tended to associate him with American intelligence; and he has known many case officers, though usually not by true name. Nevertheless he is still considered by his supervisors a reasonably good security risk. He has himself on occasion been the object of surveillance to check on his contacts, and among several polygraph tests the latest was as recent as March 1961. The target date for replacing him is about eighteen months hence.

(2) The two sub-sources of CAPEDAL-1 mentioned above and described here fall in the category of occasional informants and receive no set salary. They are presumably not witting as to the identity of CAPEDAL-1's employers, and whether they can continue to be used after he is laid off will have to be considered at that time. They are [] QA dated 16 December 1959), a desk clerk at a hotel which is frequented by Soviet and Satellite visitors; and [] [] QA dated 15 December 1959), an employee of the Registrar's Office at Munich University, which is attended by many foreign students.

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